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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 16, 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency

The President indicated that he would fully approve an independent status for Puerto Rico.

This memorandum is addressed to you in order to ask your advice and comments as to the possibilities affecting such a status. It would be appreciated if you could submit to us any information in your possession which would help us in discussing this matter.

BMS .

Bernard M. Shanley  
Special Counsel to the President

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Remarks: The Director has asked that you prepare comments on the attached in order that he might discuss this matter at the next OCB Meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday, 22 December.

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